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to Cairo.

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Source: A new source, believed reliable, with good contacts in  
the ex-Grand Mufti's entourage.

1. On 12 September 1952, Hajj Amin al-HUSAYNI, the ex-Grand Mufti, arrived in Cairo by plane from Lebanon accompanied by the Secretary of the Arab Higher Committee, Amil al-GHURI. That afternoon the Mufti and GHURI called on delegates from the various Arab nations attending the meetings of the Arab League. They discussed the Palestine question which will be brought up to be raised at before the next meeting of the UN General Assembly.

2. On 13 September, the ex-Mufti visited Colonel Muhammad Rashed MEHANNA, member of the Regency Council, at the Abdin Palace, who assured the Mufti that he was prepared to help the Mufti in any way possible.

3. On 14 September, a meeting was held in the house of the Mufti to discuss the following points. The following members of the Arab Higher Committee attended the meeting: a) the situation of the Palestine Government, to include and whether to include their remarks in the report of the Political Committee of the Arab League; b) to prepare the necessary documents on the Palestine question; c) the compilation of statistics on the Arab refugees' losses and compensations, and a plan to bring together all members of the Arab families; d) to arrange for better representation at the Arab League, for the Arabs of Palestine than Ahmad HILMI. These present included al-GHURI, Sheikh Hassan ABU SAUD, and Sheikh Muhammad Ishaq QARWISH, all members of the Arab Higher Committee.

1. Source Comment. The Mufti feels that his position in Egypt is secure because he is a friend of NAJIB, and also of Abd MEHANNA, and also of Fathi RADWAN.

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